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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Number	10/724,201-Conf. #8748
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<u>Application Type</u>	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>
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50 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>
21 - 20 = 1	x 50.00	= 50.00	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)

<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTERDocket No.
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Applicant(s): Chi-Wen LIU et al.

Invention: METHOD OF REDUCING THE PATTERN EFFECT IN THE CMP PROCESS

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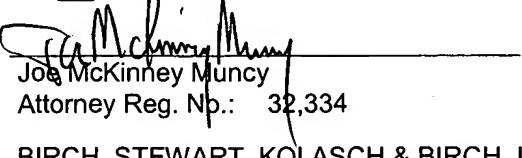
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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REPLY TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Election of Species Requirement dated May 13, 2005, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes: amendments to the claims and remarks.

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